

UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
K. MICHAEL CONAWAY
11TH DISTRICT OF TEXAS



**SERVICE ACADEMY APPLICATION
PACKET**

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY
UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY
UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

CONGRESSMAN K. MICHAEL CONAWAY
33 EAST TWOHIG, SUITE 307
SAN ANGELO, TEXAS 76903
325-659-4010

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2016 - 2017 Application for Nomination to a U. S. Service Academy
CHECK LIST

Send the items below to my San Angelo Office by October 18, 2016. All items must be **received** by the deadline to consider an application complete. If you would like verification of delivery, please request a return receipt from the Post Office.

-Application form completed and signed by applicant. Must be typed. **PLEASE READ THIS APPLICATION CAREFULLY AND DOUBLE CHECK. BEFORE MAILING BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR APPLICATION TO THE CHECK LIST!!!!**

-Personal Questionnaire and Essay completed and thoroughly answered. This questionnaire, along with the information provided on the application, is your best opportunity to illustrate your strengths and characters.

-Personal Recommendation Forms (3) completed by counselors, principals, teachers, religious leaders (i.e. priests, rabbis, and ministers), coaches, or community leaders. ***You are required to return three (3) Personal Recommendation Forms by the deadline; however you may submit additional recommendations.*** Letters of recommendations are not required but if they are sent, they **MUST** be accompanied by a completed personal recommendation form. **NOTE:** Recommendation forms are usually one of the chief causes of delays in completing an application packet. **START THIS PROCESS NOW.**

-Official copy of your high school transcript including courses currently in progress, GPA through junior year, and class rank. If you would like, provide your transcript from your senior year, you may send it as an update as long as your application is complete by **October 18, 2016.**

-Official copy of your college transcript (if applicable) including courses currently in progress.

-Current photograph (wallet size) with your **name and hometown** written on the back.

-Copy of your official SAT or ACT scores/report, if they are not sent directly from the college boards. **NOTE: Test scores must be received by October 18, 2016.** Carefully consider the dates that you are taking tests; if you wait until September or October, your scores may not arrive on time. My test codes are:

SAT: 4414 ACT: 7692

Deadline for receiving application - documents is October 18, 2016.

Plan for mail delays and send your documents in **EARLY** to:

Congressman K. Michael Conaway
33 East Twohig, Suite 307
San Angelo, Texas 76903

PLEASE READ THIS APPLICATION CAREFULLY AND COMPLY

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PLEASE TYPE AND (All fields are required to be completed).

1. Full Name _____
Last First Middle (Name goes by)

2. Current Mailing Address _____
Street/ P.O. Box
_____ Texas _____
City Zip plus four digit code (Req)
County _____ E-Mail address _____

Are you the dependent of an active or retired member of the United States Military?

Yes _____ No _____

4. Domicile in Texas _____
Note: service academies Street Address
Require that you list the _____ Texas _____
Street address of your legal City Zip
Residence in Texas

5. Home Telephone # _____ Alternate Telephone # _____ Cell # _____

6. a) Social Security # _ _ - _ - _ _ _ b) Are you a U. S. Citizen? _____

c) _____ Male _____ Female d) Date of Birth / /

7. Name of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) _____

8. High School: _____
School Name

_____ Texas
Street City

9. Expected Date of Graduation / / School Phone Number Counselor's Name
High School G.P.A. _____
Please use the 4.0 GPA system

10. Class standing _____ Out of _____

SAT SCORE:

MATH _____ WRITING _____ READING _____ COMPOSITE _____

ACT SCORE:

MATH _____ ENG _____ READING _____ SCIENCE REASONING _____

COMPOSITE _____

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11. I am also applying for a nomination from: _____
(Elected officials)

12. Indicate Academy Preference with 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choices. (REQUIRED)

(Note: My selection board depends heavily on your ranking of academy preference. Please consider carefully. If you have no preference, please indicate in the appropriate blank. If you only prefer one or two of the academies, please indicate clearly. NOTE: I highly recommend that you take time to research each of the service academies. For example, many students do not know that a Merchant Marine Academy student can be commissioned into any branch of the Armed Services upon graduation.

Very Important. You must have a current file open at each Academy for which you desire a nomination. You will not be considered for a nomination for an Academy if your file is not complete with that Academy by the Date of Board Interviews. (Historically, this has consistently been a deficiency of our 11th Congressional District Candidates.)

U.S. Military Academy _____

Open File: Yes _____ No _____

U.S. Air Force Academy _____

Open File Yes _____ No _____

No Preference _____

U.S. Naval Academy _____

Open File Yes _____ No _____

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy _____

Open File Yes _____ No _____

13. On a separate page, briefly describe your involvement in the listed categories. Include information relative to leadership positions (i.e. offices, awards, and honors). Also show date of involvement in each activity. If you already have an updated resume, feel free to include it to complete the section.

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, VOLUNTEER and /or JOB EXPERIENCE

OTHER ACTIVITIES YOU CONSIDER IMPORTANT

AWARDS AND HONORS

Please read before signing. If you do not include your signature, your application will not be considered:

It is my sincere desire to attend a U.S. Service Academy, and I fully intend to vigorously pursue an academic course of study if appointed. I understand that attending a service academy also requires a minimum of five years military service following graduation. I am a U.S. Citizen, or will be by July 1, 2017 and I will be at least 17 years old, but not yet 23 years of age on July 1, 2017. I am not married; I am not pregnant; I have no child support obligation; I am a legal resident of the State of Texas.

I certify that the information I have provided for this application packet is accurate. **Additionally I understand that I will not be considered for an academy nomination if the required documents are incomplete or are not received by October 18, 2016,**

Signature _____ Date / /

Send Completed Application Packet by October 18, 2016 to:

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San Angelo, Texas 76903

PLEASE ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ON A SEPARATE SHEET

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Personal Questionnaire

Applicant: Please thoroughly complete this personal questionnaire. This questionnaire, along with the information provided on the application, is your best opportunity to illustrate your strengths and character.

Please note that my selection board carefully reviews your answers. . Keep your answers informative and succinct.

1. In what ways have you prepared yourself for study at a service academy?
2. When did you decide you wanted to attend an academy? What generated your interest?
3. Why do you want to attend a military academy instead of a traditional university?
4. What extracurricular and athletic activities have you participated in, and how have they prepared you for a service academy? Describe your physical conditioning.
5. Briefly describe an experience that best demonstrates your leadership capabilities.
6. Do you understand that, if selected, you must commit to a minimum of five years in military service? Do you plan to pursue a career in military service?
7. Do you think you can abide by an honor code (“We will not lie, steal, cheat, nor tolerate those among us who do.”) Including the requirement to report violations you observe or learn about?
8. What disappointments/obstacles have you encountered in life? How did you handle these situations?
9. **In one brief essay (approx. 250 words), please answer the following question.**
What makes you stand out among the other candidates? Please include any experiences or statements that show you will make a good officer in the United States Military.

ANSWERS MUST BE TYPED

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PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION FORM

To be completed by a teacher, school counselor/principal, religious leader, community leader or employer.

Note to Applicant: You must turn in three personal recommendation forms by October 18, 2016, or your application will not be considered complete. Additional forms or letters are welcome.

Name of Applicant(Last/First/Middle) _____

To the recommender: The person named above is applying for nomination to a United States Service Academy. The academies provide a college education and training for students to become commissioned officers in the Armed Forces following graduation. The questions below are designed to provide the information necessary to select the best qualified candidates. By law, all admissions materials must be shown to a student upon request. Each student must submit three personal evaluation forms along with a complete application packet by October 18, 2016, failure to return this form to the student by that date will jeopardize the student's application. **PLEASE ANSWER THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ASKED ON THIS FORM.** Use additional pages if necessary. You are welcome to submit a separate letter of recommendation, but that letter will not help the applicant complete his/her file unless it is accompanied by this form.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
2. Describe the applicant's talents, strengths, and leadership ability.
3. How could the applicant improve in order to rise to the challenges presented by a U.S. service academy?
4. Do you believe the applicant plans to pursue military service as a career? Does he/she truly understand the commitments and obligation that accompany a serviced academy education?
5. How does the applicant handle stressful/challenging situations? Has the applicant encountered failure and how did he/she manage the situation?
6. Do you know of any personal circumstances that might affect the applicant's performance at the academy?
7. Please select the statement that best applies to this applicant:

_____ THE BEST, students like this appear _____ EXCELLENT, among
once in several years the best I have known
_____ ABOVE AVERAGE _____ FAIR

To the recommender: Please give this completed form, along with any additional pages or letters, sealed in an envelope and signed across the flap, to the applicant for inclusion in the application packet. Thank you.

Name (signature) _____ Date / /

Name (printed) _____ Title _____

Address _____

Work or home Street/ P.O. Box City Zip Phone

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Work or Home -Street or PO Box City/ZIP

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Name (printed) _____ Title _____

Work or home address _____ TX, Zip _____ Phone _____

Service Academy Information

If you haven't already done so, you should open a pre-candidate file with the service academies. To obtain catalogs and other specific information on the academies, contact them directly.

Remember you should apply for a nomination with **both** of your U. S. Senators and your U. S. Representative.

U. S. Air Force Academy
Admissions Office
Colorado Springs, CO 80840-5651
(800) 443-9266
www.usafa.edu

U.S. Navy Academy
USNA Admissions Office
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, MD 21402-5018
(888) 249-7707
www.usna.edu

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
Admissions Office
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
(866)546-4778
www.usmma.edu

U.S. Military Academy
Admissions Office
606 Thayer Road
West Point, NY 10996-1797
(800) 822-2769
www.usma.edu

**Congressional nominations are no longer required or submitted for the United States Coast Guard Academy (USCGA). If you are interested in attending the Coast Guard Academy, contact the academy directly.

United States Coast Guard Academy
Admissions Office
New London, CT 06320-4195
(203) 444-8501
www.uscga.edu

PLEASE NOTE – MERCHANT MARINE WILL NOT ACCEPT NOMINATIONS UNLESS YOU HAVE AN OPEN FILE AND HAVE COMPLETED AT LEAST THE FIRST AND SECOND PHASE OF THE APPLICATION.

PLEASE NOTE – VERY IMPORTANT

Applicants who have completed their files and submitted them to the Office of Congressman Conaway by **October 18, 2016**, will be notified as to the time of their personal interview with the 11th District Service Academy Selection Board. **All interviews will be held at the Wells Fargo Bank Board Room, San Angelo, Texas, Saturday- December 3, 2016**
Additional specific instructions, location, and directions will be sent at the time you are notified to report for your interview.

BE SURE AND CHECK AND RECHECK YOU APPLICATION TO MAKE SURE IT IS SIGNED, DATED AND ALL DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED.

REMEMBER – APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 18 OCTOBER 2016

DATE OF INTERVIEWS ARE DECEMBER 3, 2016

MAKE SURE YOU TAKE THE ACT OR SAT TESTS IN PLENTY OF TIME TO HAVE THE RESULTS TO THE CONGRESSMAN BY THE DEADLINE – 18 OCTOBER 2016

(Note: If submitting additional Recommendation letters you will need additional copies of the Personal Recommendation Form, please feel free to make additional copies).

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT JOANNE POWELL BY PHONE OR E-MAIL.

Telephone – 325/659-4010

Joanne.powell@mail.house.gov